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Synopsis of Proposed Changes to the House Rules H.R. 5 by Evans of Tarrant, Wilson

1. Page 23 Agriculture and Livestock -
 - a) The Texas Forest Service is added from Natural Resources.
 - b) The name of the Office of State Entomologist is changed to the Office of Chief Apiary Inspector.
2. Page 25 Business and Commerce -
 - a) The Texas Industrialize Building Code Council is added.
 - b) The Technology Training Board is added.
 - c) The Texas World Trade Council is added.
 - d) The Texas World Trade Development Authority is added.
3. Page 25- Corrections Committee is added. (This is a
Page 26 result of the division of the duties of the
Law Enforcement Committee.)
4. Page 26 Criminal Jurisprudence -
The Prosecutor Council is deleted. (Abolished
during 69th Session.)
5. Page 27 Cultural and Historical Resources -
The Texas Music Commission is added.
6. Page 29 Environmental Affairs -
The Texas Coastal and Marine Council is deleted.
(Abolished during 69th Session.)
7. Page 29 Financial Institutions -
The Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company is added.
8. Page 30 The citation for the Legislative Reorganization Act
is changed to reflect adoption of the Government Code
during the 69th Regular Session.
9. Page 30 The citation for the Texas Sunset Act is changed
to reflect adoption of the Government Code during
the 69th Regular Session.
10. Page 31 Higher Education -
The Texas Transportation Institute is added.
11. Page 31- House Administration -
Page 32 Jurisdiction over proposals to invite nonmembers to
appear before or address the house or a joint session
is added from Rules and Resolutions.
12. Page 32 Human Services -
 - a) The name of the State Commission for the Blind
is changed to the Texas Commission for the Blind.
 - b) The Texas Coordinating Commission for State Health
and Welfare Services is deleted. (Abolished during
69th Session.)
 - c) The name of the State Department of Human Resources
is changed to the State Department of Human
Services.

13. Page 35 Labor and Employment Relations -
The Occupational Safety Board is deleted. (Abolished during 69th Session.)
14. Page 35- Law Enforcement Committee is deleted.
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15. Page 37 Natural Resources -
a) The Office of State Forester is deleted. (Abolished during 69th Session.)
b) The Multi-State Water Resources Planning Commission is added.
c) The Texas Department of Water Resources is deleted. (Duties separated during 69th Session.)
d) The Texas Forest Service is moved to Agriculture and Livestock.
16. Page 38 Public Education -
The Texas Closeup Board is deleted. (Abolished during 69th Session.)
17. Page 39 Public Health -
a) The name of the Texas Commission on Alcoholism is changed to the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse.
b) The name of the Dental Advisory Committee is changed to the Dental Care Advisory Committee.
c) The Texas Cancer Council is added.
d) The Texas Hospital Equipment Financing Council is added.
18. Page 39- Public Safety Committee is added. (This is a result of the division of the duties of the Committee on Law Enforcement.)
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19. Page 41 Rules and Resolutions -
Jurisdiction over proposals to invite nonmembers to appear before or address the house or a joint session is moved to House Administration.
20. Page 41- Science and Technology -
Page 42 a) The name of the Automated Information Systems Advisory Council is changed to the Automated Information and Telecommunications Council.
b) The Texas National Research Laboratory Commission is added.

21. Page 42-
Page 43
- State Affairs -
- a) Subsections (12) - (15) -- All jurisdiction of the State, Federal and International Relations Committee is added.
 - b) All Boards of Lease of State-owned Lands are deleted except the Board for Lease of Parks and Wildlife Lands and the Board for Lease of Texas Department of Corrections Lands.
 - c) The Texas Merit System Council is deleted. (Abolished during 69th Session.)
 - d) The name of the Veterans Affairs Commission of the State of Texas is changed to the Texas Veterans Commission.
 - e) The Texas Commission on Economy and Efficiency in State Government is added.
 - f) The State Employee Incentive Commission is added.
 - g) The Productivity Bonus Commission is added.
 - h) The Texas Racing Commission is added.
 - i) The Office of State-Federal Relations, the Good Neighbor Commission, and the Texas Commission on Interstate Cooperation are added from the Committee on State, Federal, and International Relations.
22. Page 43-
Page 44
- State, Federal, and International Relations Committee is deleted.
23. Page 59 -
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- Sections 29, 30, 31, and 32 were previously Sections 33, 38, 39, and 40, respectively. This was done to provide for a more logical order of the sections pertaining to the actions a committee may take in reporting a bill.
24. Page 64
- In the Section pertaining to fiscal notes, the word "signed" (by the director of the LBB) is changed to "prepared" (by the director of the LBB).
25. Page 70
- "Rule 4, Section 6," is changed to "Section 6 of this rule". This makes the citation consistent with the other citations in the resolution.
26. Page 90-
Page 91
- A new item (b) provides for division of the question on a bill which creates a new dedicated fund. The portion of the bill which creates the fund is divisible from the remainder of the bill and must be passed by two-thirds of the elected membership of the house (i.e. 100 votes). This change is made in conjunction with number 36 on this synopsis.
27. Page 101
- Line 5 - the words "the chair of" are inserted before "the Committee". This is for clarification purposes only and the wording is now consistent with the wording in the Section 12, Page 102.
28. Page 102
- Lines 21-23 - The last sentence of this section was moved from Section 12 of Rule 8. This was done in order that all rules pertaining to the order of consideration of calendars would be in the same section.
29. Page 104
- a) Section 14 - References to "supplementary" calendars are changed to "supplemental".
 - b) Subsections (3) and (4) are added. Subsection (3) is current practice, and Subsection (4) is required under Rule 7, Section 13.

30. Page 125 Section 1 (1) - the caption of a bill must give the legislature and the public reasonable notice of the subject of the bill. This is in accordance with the new caption rule adopted by the voters in November of 1986 (proposition 2).
31. Page 125 Section 2 - A revision adopted under Article III, Section 43, of the Texas Constitution does not have to be published in its entirety.
32. Page 125 Section 3 -
a) The single subject rule does not apply to revisions adopted under Article III, Section 43, of the Texas Constitution.
b) The phrase "which shall be expressed in its title" is deleted in accordance with the new caption rule adopted by the voters in November 1986 (proposition 2).
33. Page 126 Resolutions are added to the section on Prefiling. This is already current practice.
34. Page 129 Section 12 -
a) "and resolutions" is added to this section pertaining to the order of consideration. This is for clarification only and is already current practice.
b) The last sentence of this section was moved to Rule 6, Section 11 in order to make that section complete.
35. Page 130-
Page 131 Bills appearing on the emergency calendar must be printed and distributed to the members at least 48 hours before they may be considered by the full house.
36. Page 133 A bill creating a dedicated fund must be passed by two-thirds of the membership of the house (i.e. 100 votes) before it may be considered finally passed. This change is made in conjunction with number 26 on this synopsis.
37. Page 142 The citation is changed to reflect the adoption of the Government Code during the 69th Regular Session.